

REMARKS

The Examiner indicated that claims 1, 7, 8, 32, and 33 are allowed; rejected claims 32, 33, and 39-47 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 7,509,425 to U.S. Patent No. 7,509,425 to Rosenberg; rejected claims 1, 3, 5-9, 25-26, 28-29, and 36-38 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over WO 01/096145 A1 to Requena et al. (Requena) in view of RFC 3262, Reliability of provisional responses in the Session Initiation Protocol SIP (RFC 3262); rejected claims 18 and 21-23 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0095958 to Ejzak et al. (Ejzak) in view of RFC 3262; rejected claims 19-20 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Ejzak in view of RFC 3262 and Rosenberg; and rejected claims 30 and 31 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Ejzak in view of Rosenberg.

At the outset, Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 1, 7, 8, and 32, and 33 are allowable.

By this amendment, Applicants cancel claims 9, 18-23, 25, 26, 28-31, 36-38, 40-45, and 47 to expedite allowance (and without prejudice or disclaimer). Applicants also add new claims 48 and 49.

Claims 1, 7-8, 32, 33, 48, and 49 are currently pending.

Applicant submits that claims 1, 7-8, and 32, and 33 are in immediate condition for allowance. Moreover, new claims 48 and 49, although of different scope, include subject matter similar to allowable claims 1 and 32. Therefore, pending claims 1, 7-8, 32, 33, 48, and 49 are in immediate condition for allowance.

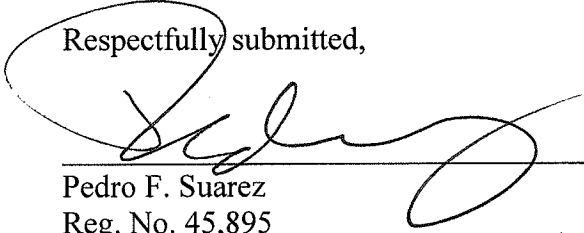
CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed in this paper. However, failure to address a specific rejection, issue or comment, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above are not intended to be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

Applicant is concurrently filing herewith a Petition for a one-month extension of time. No additional fees are believed to be due, however the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, reference No. 39700-797001US/NC40118US. If there are any questions regarding this reply, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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